

I support the rejection the NAB's petition 04-160 and support XM's ability to provide local programming such a road conditions and weather. This is a great benefit to people on the road because normal radio programming seldom covers such things. I live in oklahoma and have dirven in severe weather with tornadoes and local radio programming did not give adequate information to aid the people on the roads. This was evident a few years ago when oklahoma city was hit and hundreds of cars were blown of the roads during the storm causing death and injury. If the drivers could tune to a station that gave continous vital information, loss of lives and property could be signifcantly reduced.The NAB thinks that then driving public wants primarily music with occational sports and religious broadcasting. Until XM came along we had no choice out side of those few selections. XM is all I listen to because now I have a choice and it is great!!!!!!! I will never be with out it again. Where does the NAB think they get the right to prevent the XM radio listeners from getting local information???????? The NAB apparently does not want to give out local information since it has done such a poor job of it in the past.
Thank You for your consideration.
Sincerely,
Tony Stretesky